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UPCOMING EVENTS

HOME

Women's Volleyball vs Carleton, Oct.27 (6pm) Men's Hockey vs Queen's, Oct. 27 (7:30 pm) Women's Basketball vs Ryerson, Oct.27(8:30) Women's Basketball vs Guelph, Oct. 28 (2pm) Men's Hockey vs R.M.C., Oct. 28 (2 pm) Women's Hockey vs Laval, Oct. 29 (1 pm) Women's Soccer vs Sherbrooke, Oct. 29 (1pm) Women's Hockey vs Bishop's, Oct. 31 (6:50pm) Men's Hockey @ Dartmouth, Nov. 3 Men's Basketball Centennial Tourney, Nov. 3,4 Women's Hockey vs Ottawa, Nov. 5 (12 noon)

AWAY

Women's Volleyball @ Vermont, Oct. 25 Men's Soccer @ McGill, Oct. 25 Football @ Ottawa, Oct. 28 Wrestling @ R.M.C., Oct. 28 Women's Rugby @ Bishop's, Oct. 29 Men's Hockey @ McGill, Nov. 1 Women's Volleyball @ Carleton, Nov. 3 Women's Basketball @ Carleton, Nov. 4.5 Men's Hockey @ Yale, Nov. 4 Wrestling @ McMaster, Nov. 4 Women's Rugby @ Bishop's, Nov. 4 Women's Volleyball @ U of M. Nov. 4

STINGERS FACE OTTAWA IN O-QIFC SEMI-FINAL HEROUX, YAJDA AND PLOYART NAMED TO ALL-STAR TEAM

Football Update: The Stingers defeated the Carleton Ravens 44-0 on October 21 to take third place in the 0-QIFC with a 4-3 record. Concordia's winning record was its first in seven years. The defense had another banner game as they limited the Rayens to 188 yards of offense. Carleton quarterbacks completed 2 of 15 passes. Senior defensive back **Stéphane Chapados** (Montreal, Que.) had three interceptions, tying an O-QIFC record for most pick-offs in one game. Chapados has 15 career interceptions and moved into first place on the all-time Concordia list. He overtook J.F. Godin (1982-85) who ended his career with 13. He returned one of his interceptions for a touchdown. Rookie cornerback Ian Ployart (Montreal, Que.) had his fifth interception of the season to tie Chapados for the team lead. Third-year cornerback Johnny Dilegge (Montreal, Que.) playing only his third game of the season, had one interception and returned six punts for 122 yards. Quarterback Ron Aboud (Montreal, Que.) completed 15 of 24 passes for 234 yards, his finest showing of the season.

Concordia Players of the Game: The coaching staff selected Ron Aboud as "Offensive Player of the Game" for the Stingers. Aboud was 15 for 24 with 234 yards in passing. He was also the team's leading rusher with 30 yards. **Stéphane Chapados** was named the Defensive Star with his three interceptions. He became the all-time Concordia leader in the process. **Johnny Dilegge** took "Special Teams Player of the Game".

<u>This Week</u>: Concordia travels to Ottawa to play the Gee Gees in the O-QIFC semi-final. The Stingers are entering the play-offs for the first time in four years. The team has an overall record of 3-5 in play-off action. Concordia last won a play-off game in 1985 when they upset first place Queen's 15-14.

The Series: Ottawa leads the series 10-4-1. The Gee Gees defeated the Stingers 22-10 two weeks ago in Montreal. Concordia's last victory was September 26, 1987 when the Stingers defeated the Gee Gees 18-9.

<u>Big Plays vs Carleton</u>: The Stingers had several big plays as **Darren Deveaux** (Montreal, Que.) ran a kick-off for a touchdown, **Devon Anderson** (Montreal, Que.) recovered a fumble and ran 75 yards for a touchdown while **Stéphane Chapados** had a 22-yard interception for a touchdown.

<u>Defensive Leaders vs Carleton</u>: Fifth-year linebacker Martin Ferdais (Iberville, Que.) led the Stingers with his 11 tackles. He finished the season with 53 tackles, good for second place on the team. Senior defensive back **Alvaro Martinez** (Montreal, Que.) had 10 tackles ending the season with a conference-leading 72. Third-year linebacker **Mike Eustace** (Toronto, Ont.) had one Q.B. sack and nine tackles. He finished the season with 32 tackles. First-year defensive end **Paul Maines** (Beaconsfield, Que.) had a strong game as he finished with nine tackles. **Frank Huber** (Montreal, Que.) was third in team tackles with 52 despite missing the first two games of the season.

Stingers in the O-QIFC Stats: Rookie placekicker Paul Geary (Mississauga, Ont.) finished third in league scoring with 51 points. His total tied Daniel Malats (1984) as the third best single season total in Concordia history. Third-year tailback J.F. Héroux (Trois-Rivières, Que.) ended the season third in the rushing derby with 480 yards. Héroux was hampered by injuries in the last three conference games. He now has 1118 yards in his career and sits fourth on the Stingers' all-time list. Junior quarterback Ron Aboud ended the season with 68 pass completions for 1058 yards. He has passed for 3486 yards in three seasons, moving to second place on Concordia's all-time list. Third-year punt returner Johnny Dilegge had 21 returns for 321 yards, second in the conference. Dilegge played in three full games plus one play of the Queen's game. His 15.3 average led the nation. Defensive backs lan Ployart and Stéphane Chapados both finished with five interceptions. They tied for second in the conference. Alvaro Martinez led the conference in tackles with 72.

THREE STINGERS NAMED TO ALL-STAR TEAM

J.F. Héroux: The third-year tailback had 61 carries for 480 yards in 1989. His 7.9 yards/carry average was tops among the top ten C.I.A.U. rushers. Héroux played very little in the last three games due to injury. He also caught 11 passes for 166 yards. The native of Trois-Rivières, Quebec, has moved into fourth place on the all-time Concordia rushing list with 1118 yards. Héroux ran for over 100 yards on three occasions this season.

Bryan Vajda: The 24-year old fourth-year captain was a unanimous selection at guard. He had an outstanding season playing on one of the biggest and most dominating lines in the C.I.A.U. He helped the team to its first winning season in seven years.

<u>lan Ployart</u>: The outstanding rookie cornerback made a tremendous impact for the Stingers in 1989. Besides his five interceptions, Ployart had three tackles for losses, one fumble recovery and a league-leading three blocked kicks.

CONCORDIA FACES QUEEN'S FRIDAY IN SEASON HOCKEY OPENER

Men's Hockey Update: The Stingers are coming off an impressive weekend of Hockey East action despite taking only one point from the Providence College Friars. The sixth-ranked team in the pre-season N.C.A.A. rankings managed a 5-4 victory and a 4-4 overtime tie against the young Stingers. Concordia, with 14 first-year and seven second-year players in the weekend lineup, played well against the veteran-laden Friars. Sophomore goaltender Robert Desjardins (Verdun, Que.) was particularly outstanding in making 89 saves in the two games. Third-year captain Richard Laplante (Boucherville, Que.) and second-year winger John Gravelle (Dollard des Ormeaux, Que.) each had two goals and two assists in the weekend series. Rookie Stéphane Therrien (Laval, Que.) chipped in with one goal and three assists while linemate Dean Delvecchio (Kirkland, Que.) tallied one goal and two assists.

This Week: Concordia opens up its fifteenth season in the C.I.A.U. and third in the O.U.A.A. The Stingers host Queen's on Friday, October 27 (7:30 p.m.) and R.M.C. on Saturday, October 28 (2:00 p.m.). Friday's game will be broadcast live on CIRL (650 AM-88.5 FM CABLE).

<u>The Golden Gael Report</u>: Picked to finish fifth in the division by "The Hockey News", the Gaels feature one of the league's best defensemen in **John Thornton**. Queen's has thirteen returning players and look much improved under new head coach **John Phelan**. Look for **Ted Linesman** (brother of Ken) to be one of the division's leading scorers.

<u>The Redmen Report</u>: R.M.C. has joined the west division and will battle for a play-off spot with Laurentian this season. The top returning player is captain **Mark Thietke**, a fifth-round draft choice of the Boston Bruins.

The Records: The Stingers are 7-2-1 against Queen's and 5-0-1 against R.M.C. dating back to 1975.

<u>Last Week</u>: 1989 O.U.A.A. All-stars **Robert Desjardins** and **Richard Laplante** both played well for the Stingers against Providence. **John Gravelle**, **Stéphane Therrien**, and **Dean Delvecchio** are players to watch against Queen's and R.M.C. Other goal scorers on the weekend were **Mark Davidson** (Lachute, Que.) and **Scott Kerins** (Brampton, Ont.). Kerins, along with linemates **Steve Sonoski** (Brampton, Ont.) and **Pat Ryan** (Gloucester, Ont.) have looked good in the early going, despite being rookies.

WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM HOSTS PLAYOFF GAME SUNDAY

Women's Soccer Update: The Stingers tied McGill 1–1 on October 18, 1989. They finished with a 5–2–1 record which was good for second place in the league. The leading scorer for the Stingers this season was second-year player **Heidi Jones** (Beaconsfield, Que.) who finished with five goals. 1988 All-Canadian **Annie Caron** (Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue, Que.) tallied four goals in four games while first-year Stinger **Shana Hogan** (Beaconsfield, Que.) scored three goals.

<u>Men's Soccer</u>: The Stingers defeated Sherbrooke 3-2 to move into second place in the league. Goal scorers were **Panos Dassios**, **Marc Chene** and **Maged Loka**. Concordia faces unbeaten McGill Wednesday, Oct. 25 (8:00 p.m.) at Molson Stadium. They will then face Sherbrooke Sunday in a semi-final play-off game. The site is yet to be determined.